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Letter dated 6 May 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text, in English and French, of a statement of the European Economic Community and its member States on the death of a member of the Monitor Mission in Bosnia-Herzegovina, issued at Lisbon and Brussels on 4 May 1992 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under item 69 of the preliminary list.

(Signed) Fernando REINO
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ANNEX

Declaration on the death of a member of the Monitor Mission in Bosnia-Herzegovina issued at Brussels and Lisbon on 4 May 1992 by the European Economic Community

The Community and its member States have learned, with dismay and indignation, of the tragic incident involving the ECMM, which has cost the life of a monitor of Belgian nationality in the Republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The Community and its member States wish to express their deepest condolences to the relatives of the fallen monitor who was performing, unarmed, a peaceful and humanitarian mission. They also pay tribute to the courage and devotion of all members of the ECMM in fulfilling their meritorious task of encouraging and supporting peaceful solutions among the parties in the Yugoslav crisis.

The Community and its member States have already addressed a vehement protest to the authorities of Belgrade concerning the action of the JNA that caused the death of the ECMM monitor and expect an urgent inquiry and the punishment of all those responsible for the said incident.

The Community and its member States repeat their concern about the safety of EEC monitors and demand that adequate measures be taken immediately for their protection.

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Letter dated 6 May 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text, in English, of a statement of the European Economic Community and its member States on recent events in Sarajevo, issued at Lisbon on 5 May 1992 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under item 69 of the preliminary list.

(Signed) Fernando REINO
Ambassador of Portugal
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ANNEX

Declaration on recent events in Sarajevo issued at Lisbon on 5 May 1992 by the European Economic Community

The European Economic Community and its member States exhort all parties in Sarajevo to act with the utmost restraint and to do all in their power to refrain from any further action that might lead to a catastrophic situation of unforeseeable consequences.

The European Economic Community and its member States urge the JNA to fully support the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the exercise of its constitutional responsibilities in order to resolve all outstanding issues. They also call upon the legal authorities of the Republic to do all in their power for the immediate lifting of the blockade of the Military Academy and other military installations.

The European Economic Community and its member States condemn the seizure of President Izetbegovic by the JNA on Saturday as well as the repeated shelling of Sarajevo by JNA and irregular forces, which has already caused the death of many innocent civilians and wrought considerable destruction in the city.

The European Economic Community and its member States likewise condemn the attack made on Sunday of a JNA convoy that was proceeding under the terms of an agreement with the presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina, brokered by United Nations and European Economic Community representatives at a time when the basic rules of democracy were being violated by the JNA.

Once again the European Economic Community and its member States appeal to the parties concerned to enforce existing cease-fire agreements, without which no viable political solution to the problems of Bosnia and Herzegovina is possible, and to proceed with negotiations on the withdrawal of the JNA.

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Letter dated 7 May 1992 from the Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose the text of a statement issued on 3 May 1992 by H. E. Sheikh Hamdan bin Zayed Al-Nahyan, Minister for Foreign Affairs, announcing that the United Arab Emirates welcomes the establishment of the Interim Council in Afghanistan.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 28 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Mohammad J. SAMHAN
Permanent Representative

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Communiqué issued on 3 May 1992 by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates

H. E. Mr. Hamdan bin Zayed Al-Nahyan, Minister for Foreign Affairs, stated that the United Arab Emirates had welcomed with great satisfaction the news that the Transitional Council of the Afghan Mujahidin had, after a long struggle, acceded to power in Kabul under the leadership of Sibgatullah Mojadedi.

The United Arab Emirates greets the Interim Council and has no doubt that it will be able to restore peace and stability in the Republic of Afghanistan and to ensure the progress and prosperity of its Muslim people.

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Letter dated 7 May 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text, in English, of a statement of the European Economic Community and its member States on the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, issued at Guimarães on 2 May 1992 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under item 69 of the preliminary list.

(Signed) Fernando REINO
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Declaration issued at Guimarães, Portugal, on 2 May 1992
by the European Economic Community

The European Economic Community and its Member States, gathered in an informal ministerial meeting at Guimarães on 1 and 2 May 1992, had an in-depth discussion on the request of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia to be recognized as an independent State.

They are willing to recognize that State as a sovereign and independent State, within its existing borders, and under a name that can be accepted by all parties concerned.

They expressed their high appreciation for the efforts of the Presidency, which included the preparation of a global package.

The Community and its member States look forward to establishing with the authorities of Skopje a fruitful cooperative relationship, aimed at the promotion of meaningful cooperation, capable of improving political stability and economic progress in the area. Simultaneously, they urge the parties directly involved to continue to do their utmost to resolve the pending questions on the basis of the Presidency's package.

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Letter dated 6 May 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Mauritania to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to inform you that on 3 May 1992 the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania issued an official statement in which Mauritania recognized the new Government of Afghanistan headed by His Excellency Professor Sibgatullah Mojadedi, President of the Interim Council of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly under item 28 of the preliminary list.

(Signed) Mohamedou OULD MOHAMED MAHMOUD
Ambassador
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